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ALLEN DULLES' MEMOIRS

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(TEXT) CAIRO--AL-AHRAH CARRIES AN ARTICLE BY ITS NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT SAYING THAT SOME U.S. NEWSPAPERS ARE CARRYING EXCERPTS FROM A NEW BOOK, WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN PUBLISHED. THE BOOK CONTAINS THE MEMOIRS OF ALLEN DULLES, HEAD OF THE CIA WHO RECENTLY RESIGNED HIS POST, IN WHICH HE REVEALS SOME IMPORTANT SECRETS CONNECTED WITH INTERNATIONAL EVENTS HE HAD FOLLOWED, INCLUDING THE SUEZ CRISIS.

ALLEN DULLES--BROTHER OF FORMER U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE JOHN FOSTER DULLES--HAS PUBLISHED A VERY IMPORTANT STORY ON THE ATTITUDE OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARD THE SUEZ WAR. HERE FOLLOWS TO THE LETTER WHAT HE SAID: "MY BROTHER, JOHN FOSTER DULLES, SAID THAT THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT WAS TAKEN BY SURPRISE IN THE SUEZ WAR. THIS STATEMENT HOLDS TRUE ONLY FROM THE TECHNICAL ANGLE. WHAT HE MEANT WAS THAT THE BRITISH, FRENCH, AND ISRELI GOVERNMENTS DID NOT INFORM OUR AMBASSADORS WHAT THEY DECIDED AND BEGAN TO IMPLEMENT.

"IN FACT, THE CIA HAD (WORD INDISTINCT) THE SUEZ OPERATION COMPLETELY. WE HAD STATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO ISRAELI OFFENSIVE AGAINST JORDAN, BUT THAT A TRIPARTITE ATTACK WOULD BE LAUNCHED ON SUEZ. ONE DAY BEFORE THE INVASION, THE CIA STATED THAT THE INVASION WAS IMMINENT.

"IT SEEMS THAT THE ONLY EXPLANATION OF THIS MATTER IS THAT ALTHOUGH THE UNITED STATES HAD BEEN INFORMED OF THE ATTACK BEFOREHAND IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE UNITED STATES COULD NOT DO ANYTHING TO STOP THE ATTACKERS FROM THEIR INTENDED ACTIONS. THEREFORE, THE UNITED STATES ADOPTED ITS POSITION WHICH, ACCORDING TO JOHN FOSTER DULLES' OWN STATEMENT, WAS 'WE SHALL CLOSE OUR EYES AS IF WE SAW NOTHING.'"

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